HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 609 By Hood

A RESOLUTION to honor Mary Frances Stubblefield on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body recognize those who in their years of work have performed with extraordinary dedication and exceptional devotion; and

WHEREAS, Mary Frances Stubblefield is one such outstanding person who has served with alacrity and acuity for 38 years with Middle Tennessee State University, having been an Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences when she retired; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stubblefield exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a great Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stubblefield is an active and vital part of the community and her profession, lending her exemplary leadership to numerous civic organizations including but not limited to, the Oaklands Association, the Rutherford County Historical Society, the Friends of Linebaugh Library; and

WHEREAS, she also founded a scholarship fund for outstanding Calculus I and II students at MTSU, co-established the Margaret Putman Scholarship Fund—Home Economics and the Miss Christine Vaughan Scholarship Fund—English; and

WHEREAS, she earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee Technological University; her Master of Arts degree from Peabody College; and has done postgraduate work at Peabody College; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Stubblefield also takes time from a very busy schedule to serve as a private tutor for West Point candidates and serves admirably as a member of many University and Departmental Committees; and

WHEREAS, she has more than 50 years of teaching experience; including service from 1946-1947 at Livingston Academy; 1947-1951 at McMinnville High School; 1951-1959 at Tullahoma High School; 1959-Dec. 1997 at Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stubblefield's excellence has been acknowledged by her being chosen as Outstanding MTSU Faculty Member (1968), Outstanding Educator in America (1970), and being noted in *Who's Who in American Women* (1969); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stubblefield's adroit qualities include the uncommon ability to motivate others to fully realize their potential, perhaps the most valuable of all skills; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Mary Frances Stubblefield our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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